

Notice of Workshops

To Solicit Comments on Proposed Regulation Amendments

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (the Division), Bureau of Air Quality (BAQ), 333 W. Nye Lane, Carson City, NV 89706, is proposing the amendment of regulations pertaining to chapter 445B of Nevada Administrative Code. Two workshops have been scheduled.

WORKSHOP INFORMATION

RENO

April 18, 2001
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm
NV Division of Wildlife
1100 Valley Road, Reno
Conf. Rm. A

LAS VEGAS

April 19, 2001
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm
Desert Research Institute
755 E. Flamingo Road, LV
Room 181

The proposed amendments are necessary for the Division's Title V operating permit program to gain final US EPA approval. Proposed amendments were presented at public workshops around the state in December 2000. Based on comments received from the prior workshops, the Division is proposing the following changes to solicit comments from interested persons:

The amendments from December 2000 proposed to remove categorically exempted insignificant activities. Based on comments received, it is proposed that some categories of emission units continue to be listed as insignificant activities. To be consistent with Title V regulations, the proposed amendments will clarify how general provisions apply to insignificant activities and when a permit is required for non-Title V sources.

The proposed amendments will allow major sources, which elect to maintain minor status, to obtain a Class II operating permit to commence construction and operation while continuing to prepare and submit a Title V application. A Class II application is typically processed in approximately 60 days compared to a Title V application which can take up to 12 months to process. The December 2000 proposed amendments would have introduced an impediment specifically excluding acid rain sources from being able to obtain a Class II operating permit as is allowed for other industry types. The new changes will remove the impediment to acid rain sources.

Copies of all materials relating to the proposal may be obtained at the workshops or by contacting the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Air Quality, 333 W. Nye Lane, Carson City, NV 89706, (775) 687-4670, ext. 3064.

This Notice of Workshop to Solicit Comments on Proposed Regulation Amendments has been sent to all persons on the agency's mailing list for administrative regulations and posted at the following locations:

Washoe, Clark, and Elko County Libraries
Nevada Division of Wildlife Offices
NDEP Offices in Carson City and Las Vegas, NV
NDEP web site *Public Notices* page; <http://www.ndep.state.nv.us/admin/public.htm>

Members of the public who are disabled and require special accommodations or assistance at the meetings are requested to notify the Division no later than April 12, 2001. The Division can be reached at (775) 687-4670 extension 3064; fax (775) 687-6396.